## **Claims**

What is Claimed is:

1. A system for managing a plurality of client processes, comprising:

a client task within which the client processes will be executed; and

a manager task running at a higher priority than the client task, the manager task queuing the client processes into the client task in priority order, wherein the manager task kills the client task when a current one of the client processes is not completed within a predetermined time period.

- 2. The system according to claim 1, wherein the manager task restarts the client task and queues a next one of the client processes into the client task.
- 3. The system according to claim 1, wherein the manager task restarts the client task and requeues the current client process into the client task.
- 4. The system according to claim 1, wherein the client task sends a response to the manager task indicating the execution of the current client process is complete.

- 5. The system according to claim 4, wherein the manager task, when receiving the response from the client task, queues a next one of the client processes into the client task.
- 6. A method for managing a plurality of client processes, comprising the steps of:

queuing a first one of the client processes into a client task, wherein the first client process is executed within the client task; and

killing execution of the client task by a manager task executing at a priority higher than that of the client task when the first client process is not completed within a predetermined time period.

- 7. The method according to claim 6, further comprising the step of:
  - releasing a first semaphore by the manager task, wherein the client task does not execute until the first semaphore is released by the manager task.
- 8. The method according to claim 7, further comprising the step of:

releasing a second semaphore by the client task indicating the execution of the first client process is complete.

- 9. The method according to claim 6, further comprising the steps of:

  restarting the client task by the manager task; and

  queuing a second one of the client processes into the client task.
- 10. The method according to claim 6, further comprising the steps of:
  restarting the client task by the manager task; and
  requeuing the first client process into the client task
- 11. A computer-readable storage medium storing a set of instructions, the set of instructions capable of being executed by a processor to manage a plurality of client processes, the set of instructions performing the steps of:

queuing a first one of the client processes into a client task, wherein the first client process is executed within the client task; and

killing execution of the client task by a manager task executing at a priority higher than that of the client task when the first client process is not completed within a predetermined time period.